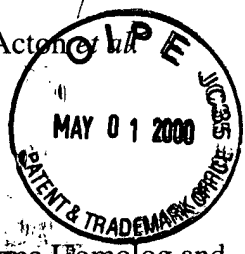


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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS  
FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE  
AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES**

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Examiner's communication dated March 30, 2000.

**REMARKS**

In the Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures dated March 20, 2000 (hereinafter "Notice"), the Examiner requires that Applicants submit a computer readable form (CRF) copy of the "Sequence Listing", as well as a paper copy of the "Sequence Listing" for the above-identified application. Accordingly, Applicants submit herewith a paper copy of the sequence listing (pages 1 - 41) as required in the Notice. In addition, Applicants submit herewith a computer-readable form (diskette) of this sequence listing.

The content of the paper and computer readable copies of the Sequence Listing are the same and include no new matter, as required by 37 C.F.R. §1.825(a) and (b). No new matter has been added to the application..

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